

# My Exceptional City!

## **What does it mean to be exceptional?!**

### **Enter your child in the City of Johns Creek Essay Contest: What makes my community exceptional.**

In 2015, Johns Creek adopted the tag line, “Be the Exception” to recognize the attributes that make our city exceptional. Our schools, police and fire departments, our growing parks, and the people who make up our diverse community are just a few examples. We are interested to hear from our young people about what this means to them.

1. Essays should be submitted with the entry form, should be no longer than one page in length, and must answer the following question:

**“There are many exceptionally wonderful things in and about the City of Johns Creek. We want to know what you think makes your community exceptional. Your school, friends, clubs, sports, favorite hang out spot?”**

2. Essays must be the original work of students in 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade. Three (3) winners will be chosen, one from each grade, and each winner will be formally announced at the City’s **10-year Anniversary Event, November 5** at Johns Creek High School.
3. Mailed entries must be postmarked by **October 28, 2016** to:

City of Johns Creek  
Attention: Essay Contest  
12000 Findley Road, Suite 400  
Johns Creek, GA 30097  
Scanned essays can be emailed to [edie.damann@johnscreekgga.gov](mailto:edie.damann@johnscreekgga.gov).

4. Each of the three winners will be announced at the November 5 Anniversary event and recognized at a November City Council Meeting. The winner will also receive a personal tour of city hall, Police Department and Municipal Count, and a Johns Creek Fire Station. The winning essays will also be published to the city’s website and social media accounts.
5. Winners will be notified by the city before or by October 31, 2016.

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6. Please complete all information in the entry form, sign, and submit the completed form with entry by **October 28, 2016**.

## **“What makes my community exceptional ...” ENTRY FORM**

**Author Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Author Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/ Guardian Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/ Guardian E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Criteria:**

- There is not cost to enter.
- Odds of winning are based on number of essays submitted. Winners will be selected based on creativity, originality and legibility.
- Three restrictions apply:
  - Essays must be the original work of children who are students at a Johns Creek area middle schools and are in 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
  - You agree to have your child's essay published on the city of Johns Creek website, as well as city social media accounts, and city newsletter.
  - You agree that your city's local media will be notified of your child's winning entry.



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Parent/ Guardian Signiture:\_\_\_\_\_

Date:\_\_\_\_\_